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of smoke that is characteristic of firecured tobacco.

[51 FR 40406, Nov. 7, 1986]

§29.2548 Side.

A certain phase of quality, color, or length as contrasted with some other phase of quality, color, or length; or any peculiar characteristic of tobacco.

 $[37 \ FR \ 13626, \ July \ 12, \ 1972.$ Redesignated at 49 FR 16757, Apr. 20, 1984 and 51 FR 40406, Nov. 7, 1986]

§29.2549 Size.

The length of tobacco leaves. Size does not apply to tobacco in strip form. (See chart, §29.2606.)

[37 FR 13626, July 12, 1972. Redesignated and amended at 49 FR 16757, Apr. 20, 1984 and further redesignated at 51 FR 40406, Nov. 7, 1986]

§ 29.2550 Sound.

Free of damage.

[37 FR 13626, July 12, 1972. Redesignated at 49 FR 16757, Apr. 20, 1984 and 51 FR 40406, Nov. 7, 1986]

§29.2551 Special factor.

A symbol or term authorized to be used with specified grades. Tobacco to which a special factor is applied may meet the general specifications but has a peculiar side or characteristic which tends to modify the grade. (See Rule 10, § 29.2626.)

[37 FR 13626, July 12, 1972. Redesignated at 49 FR 16757, Apr. 20, 1984 and 51 FR 40406, Nov. 7, 1986]

§29.2552 Steam-dried.

The condition of unfermented tobacco as customarily prepared for storage by means of a redrying machine or other steam-conditioning equipment.

[37 FR 13626, July 12, 1972. Redesignated at 49 FR 16757, Apr. 20, 1984 and 51 FR 40406, Nov. 7, 1986]

§ 29.2553 Stem.

The midrib or large central vein of a tobacco leaf.

 $[37\ FR\ 13626,\ July\ 12,\ 1972.\ Redesignated\ at\ 49\ FR\ 16757,\ Apr.\ 20,\ 1984\ and\ 51\ FR\ 40406,\ Nov.\ 7,\ 1986]$

§29.2554 Stemmed.

A form of tobacco, including strips and strip scrap, from which the stems or midribs have been removed.

[37 FR 13626, July 12, 1972. Redesignated at 49 FR 16757, Apr. 20, 1984 and 51 FR 40406, Nov. 7, 1986]

§29.2555 Strength.

The stress a tobacco leaf can bear without tearing. (See chart, §29.2601.)

[37 FR 13626, July 12, 1972. Redesignated at 49 FR 16757, Apr. 20, 1984 and 51 FR 40406, Nov. 7, 1986]

§29.2556 Strips.

The sides of a tobacco leaf from which the stem has been removed or a lot of tobacco composed of strips.

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§ 29.2557 Subgrade.

Any grade modified by a special factor symbol.

[37 FR 13626, July 12, 1972. Redesignated at 49 FR 16757, Apr. 20, 1984 and 51 FR 40406, Nov. 7 1986]

§ 29.2558 Sweated.

The condition of tobacco, which has passed through one or more fermentations natural to tobacco packed with a normal percentage of moisture. This condition is sometimes described as aged.

 $[37\ FR\ 13626,\ July\ 12,\ 1972.\ Redesignated\ at\ 49\ FR\ 16757,\ Apr.\ 20,\ 1984\ and\ 51\ FR\ 40406,\ Nov.\ 7,\ 1986]$

§29.2559 Sweating.

The condition of tobacco in the process of fermentation.

[37 FR 13626, July 12, 1972. Redesignated at 49 FR 16757, Apr. 20, 1984 and 51 FR 40406, Nov. 7, 1986]

§ 29.2560 Tobacco.

Tobacco as it appears between the time it is cured and stripped from the stalk, or primed and cured, and the time it enters into the different manufacturing processes. The acts of stemning, threshing, sweating, and conditioning are not regarded as manufacturing processes. Tobacco, as used in